

# BLOCKS CITY HALL FROM REFUSING TO PAY BOARD'S BILLS

Transit Measure Has Cast Iron Provision for Mandatory Appropriations.

NO CHANCE TO EVADE Prevents Estimate Board From Delaying or Hampering Reform Plans.

SECTION ENTIRELY NEW Gov. Miller Finds His Policy on Traction Is Growing in Popularity.

Special Despatch to The New York Herald.

New York, Feb. 18. The Hyman administration will not be able to block the work of the new transit commission by refusing to appropriate funds to pay necessary expenses. It has been hinted from City Hall that such obstructive methods might be pursued in the determined effort to be made to keep up the warfare against Gov. Miller's policy, thereby making it the big political issue in the city election next autumn.

The State administration evidently anticipated some such counter move from City Hall and prepared for it by providing that the Board of Estimate must meet necessary expenses. The subject is covered in Section 14, Article 2, of the transit bill as follows:

"The salaries of the commissioners, secretary and counsel of the Transit Commission shall be paid and allowed by the State Comptroller and paid monthly by the State Treasurer upon the order of the Comptroller out of the funds provided for such salaries and expenses of the Transit Commission shall be chargeable to the city in which such commission has jurisdiction, and shall be paid out of the funds of the Board of Estimate and Apportionment or other board or public body on which is imposed a duty, and in which is vested the power of making appropriations of public money for the purposes of the city government in such city shall, from time to time, on requisition duly made by the Transit Commission, appropriate such sum or sums of money as such commission shall deem it necessary to properly enable it to do and perform, or cause to be done and performed, the duties imposed upon it."

Appropriations Mandatory. "Such appropriation shall be made forthwith upon presentation of such a requisition without revision or reduction and without the imposition of any conditions or limitations, and such appropriation shall be a ministerial act. If such board or body shall fail to appropriate such amount as such Transit Commission shall deem requisite and necessary, such commission may apply to the Appellate Division of the Supreme Court in the First Judicial Department for an order compelling such board or body to make such appropriation.

"The city shall not be liable for any indebtedness incurred by such commission in excess of such appropriation or appropriations. It shall be the duty of the Comptroller or other chief fiscal officer of such city, after such appropriation shall have been made, to pay the salaries and expenses of such commission chargeable to the city, upon vouchers therefor. For the purpose of providing such salaries and expenses, the Comptroller or other chief financial officer of said city is hereby authorized and directed to issue and sell revenue bonds of such city in anticipation of the proceeds of such bonds to make the payments in this section required to be made. The amount necessary to pay the principal and interest on such bonds shall be included in the estimates of money necessary to be raised by taxation to carry on the business of said city, and shall be made a part of the tax levy for the next following year in which such appropriations are made."

No Chance for Obstruction. This section is entirely new matter in the transit bill. The city officials have no way of escaping their responsibility. In other words, they will be unable to "hamstring" the commission by delaying the appropriation from month to month.

When the lawmakers went home last night and to-day for their over Sunday at home they carried the first copies of the transit bill. They will spend many hours in the interval studying the measure from every angle and when they assemble Monday night probably will be much closer to a decision on the merits of the Governor's policy than heretofore.

There is not the slightest apprehension on the part of the administration leaders that the bill will not stand the test of the most careful study. It is understood that word has been carried to Gov. Miller from both chambers of the Legislature within the last few hours that there was nothing to worry about.

Not a single man of the Administration forces had shown a sign of wavering. The line is holding solidly for its entire length. The only wavering is on the part of the opposition. Day by day the minority grows weaker as a man who has been reserving judgment makes up his mind to support the bill and takes his place in the ranks of the majority.

HYLAN SIGNS ORDINANCE FOR TAX EXEMPTIONS Only Estimate Board Approval Is Now Required. Mayor Hyman yesterday signed the tax ordinance passed last Tuesday by the Board of Aldermen exempting new dwellings up to \$5,000 from taxation for ten years, and the measure now awaits the approval of the Board of Estimate to become effective. It was placed on the calendar yesterday and has every prospect of being approved next Friday.

W. H. La Guardia, President of the Board of Aldermen, who fought the ordinance when it was before that body, submitted amendments which would rescind the exemption whenever it might be shown that exorbitant rental was being charged for any house built under the provisions of the ordinance. Action then was postponed for a week in order that Frank X. Sullivan, acting President of Queens, might have an opportunity to study the amendments.

# WIRELESS BRINGS SURGEON FOR DEEP SEA OPERATION

Italian Passenger Ship Heeds Calls for Aid From Freighter and Injured Man Is Transferred and Saved.

Luigi Campodonico of the crew of the Italian freight steamship *Mariano* landed yesterday from the Lloyd Sabaudo liner *Re d'Italia*, which he boarded in midocean, and was taken to the Washington Square Hospital to recover from the effects of a deep sea operation which deprived him of his left arm. He is one of only a few sailormen alive whose shipwreck was called for by wireless, and the only one who was rescued by wireless, and perhaps the only one transferred from freighter to passenger carrier, swiftly operated on and saved. The credit belongs to an Italian surgeon, Dr. Luigi Ruggieri.

Campodonico's left arm was caught in steering gear and crushed. His skipper had nothing but a medicine chest to help ease the man's pain and there was only a limited supply of anodynes. So the captain of the liner *Re d'Italia*, the nearest ship with surgical relief and appended by wireless to her. Dr. Ruggieri told the freighter's skipper how to relieve Campodonico and Capt. Olivieri headed out his *Curcio* for the *Mariano*.

A heavy sea was running, but the philanthropy of courage was undaunted by it and the surgeon got alongside the freighter in a lifeboat that after much perilous floundering, permitted him to board and relieve the suffering sailorman, who was huddled into the lifeboat and taken to the *Re d'Italia*. The injured arm was amputated below the elbow. Campodonico is 51. His family in Italy probably will see him again.

Republican Senators and Assemblymen Want to Silence Eight Cent Fare Cry. Tammany Men in Mass Meeting Say Governor Seeks 10 Cent Phone Calls Too.

Mayor Hyman's cohorts raised the ante on Gov. Miller last night at a mass meeting in the Turn Hall, Lexington avenue and East Eighty-fifth street, when they added ten cent telephone calls and gas to the eight cent battle cry of Tammany. Henry H. Klein, Deputy Commissioner of Accounts, presiding, let the public in on that information, but did not reveal the source of his knowledge. Backed by the oratory of John P. O'Brien, Corporation Counsel; Grover Whalen, Commissioner of Plant and Structures; and John F. Carey, Representative in Congress, Mr. Klein had adopted resolutions opposing the Governor's proposal for the creation of a State commission to solve the city's transit problems.

Mr. Klein said that the people of New York now are paying \$250,000,000 a year for gas, electricity, telephones and transit utilities. He felt sure that Gov. Miller wants to double that figure. The reason for that was, he explained, that the "great moneyed interests, such as Rockefeller, J. P. Morgan, Kuhn, Loeb & Co., and the like," were responsible for the increase. Mr. Klein did not have time to go into the details of how they managed to bring about such a handsome for the Governor.

The Health Department continued its inspection of immigrants at the Battery and at Grand Central Terminal. Of 370 examined 31 were detained as possible typhus carriers. One man with a contagious disease was sent to Willard Parker Hospital to await Government action. He probably will be deported. The most significant fact which yesterday's inspection disclosed was the unclean condition of Ellis Island itself. The Adriatic, which arrived several days ago, was examined at her pier and pronounced spic and span, but when her 260 steerage passengers arrived at the Battery after passing through the immigration station 29 of them were infested with vermin.

There were several clashes between the local health authorities and the customs inspectors upon the arrival of two immigrant laden ships from Italy. The *Guillermo Perce* docked at the foot of West Fifty-sixth street with 261 cabin and 967 steerage passengers. Several hundred of the cabin passengers had been landed when Dr. A. Blauevet, of Commissioner Copeland's staff, ordered them back on the ship for an examination.

This created confusion and met with opposition from the customs men. They were told the passengers would not be allowed to land at all unless they submitted to inspection. None of them was held.

When the *Henry R. Mallory* docked at Pier 45 from Palermo, Sicily, a similar inspection was held. There was no dispute on board, but while women nurses were examining two young women passengers they discovered 263 small vials of cocaine concealed about the person of one of them. They were turned back to the customs inspectors and held for attempting to smuggle narcotic drugs.

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# TYPHUS UP-STATE BROUGHT IN FROM ITALY ON JAN. 5

Lax Conditions at Ellis Island Revealed Again by City Inspectors.

GERM CARRIERS LAND Dr. Copeland Continues Independent Examinations Despite Federal Men.

AID SOUGHT IN CONGRESS Appropriation of \$200,000 to Enlarge Quarantine Station Will Be Asked.

The discovery of three cases of typhus fever at Cortlandt, N. Y., and the announcement that Congress will be asked immediately to appropriate \$200,000 to enlarge the quarantine station at the port of New York, were the outstanding features yesterday in the fight to prevent the plague from spreading in the United States.

The up-State victims were three children of an Italian family who were admitted January 5. The fact that they were given a clean bill of health at Quarantine supported the charge of Health Commissioner Copeland that the Federal authorities have been lax in the enforcement of sanitary precautions at this port.

"It would be a godsend if 100 cases broke out all over the country," Dr. Copeland said. "It might wake the people up to the seriousness of the situation. If I could have my way I would declare Ellis Island an infected port and put an embargo on it. I am more afraid of the Ellis Island boat than I am of any ship from foreign ports."

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Commissioner Copeland said there has been some criticism of the Health Department using policemen at the Battery to halt newly arrived immigrants. Yesterday a delegation of editors of Jewish newspapers called on him and urged against what they called the indignity of this measure. Dr. Copeland told them he was just as sorry as they were that it was necessary, but it is the only thing he can do since the Government refuses to allow his men on Ellis Island.

An investigation was made by the Health Department of an immigrant train which came from Boston by way of Hill Gate Bridge and discharged its passengers at the Pennsylvania station. There were no health officers at that station, and the immigrants got into the city without being inspected. At first Dr. Copeland thought it was a deliberate effort to evade the inspection, but New Haven Railroad officials explained it was an oversight and would not occur again.

Measures to keep infectious diseases out of this State were received yesterday from the Medical Society of the State of New York. A letter from the Women's Forum, commending his activities was also received.

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A middle aged woman pulled him off the chair. "I want my daughter," she demanded. "I've lost my daughter. She's the most beautiful girl in America." "Give me a year of your life if your daughter and 2,000 other daughters were out of here," and then some one opened the door to the solarium again.

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And then one of the girls collapsed as she was being forced through the door and the affair threatened to become serious. She fainted on the threshold and the crowd of girls who were pushing her to get through the door stopped. Talbot, by this time sufficiently recovered to reenter the melee, took his life between his thumb and forefinger by plunging into the maelstrom and dragging the unconscious girl out. She had not been trampled.

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# LOVE BANDIT ROBS BANK.

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# THE POTATO

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